

MISSION: POSSIBLE

Week of April 21, 2013

Overcoming Ignorance • Message 8

Our Mission:

Know God and Show God.

[[ACTS 1:8 ON THE SCREEN]]

Obstacles to our mission

- This is a spiritual mission, but God gave us his Holy Spirit.
- This is a threatening message, but acts of kindness create opportunities.
- This mission calls us to places of discomfort, but God shows up when we take risks.
- ... and others

Today's Obstacle:

I just don't **KNOW** what I **NEED** to know.

FEELING IGNORANT GOOD OR BAD • I'VE BEEN A KNOW-IT-ALL - HINZ • ORGANIZE MY GARAGE
~ EITHER IGNORANCE STOPS US OR IT DAMAGES OTHERS ~

Acts 18:1-11, 18-19 (p. 773)

[[SHOW A MAP]] PHILIPPI/ATHENS/CORINTH • PAUL USED HIS PERSONAL SKILL TO BUILD
RELATIONSHIP AND TO PROVIDE FINANCIALLY

Whatever you know can be an **ASSET** for your **MISSION**.

GP: HAVE YOU EVER USED IGNORANCE AS A WAY TO AVOID YOUR MISSION?

START WITH WHAT YOU KNOW AND MOVE ON FROM THERE! • P & A TRAINED IN 18 MONTHS!

Acts 18:24-28

IF EVER THERE WAS A KNOW-IT-ALL, APOLLOS WAS IT • BUT ONLY JOHN'S BAPTISM
WILLINGNESS TO LEARN

Your **EAGERNESS** to **LEARN** is essential to your mission.

ADMIT YOUR IGNORANCE • YEARN FOR LEARNING

Acts 19:1-10

I FIRST WANTED TO BLAME APOLLOS, BUT THIS ISN'T CAUSE/EFFECT; MORE COMPARE/CONTRAST
Important differences between these 12 men and Apollos:

APOLLOS KNEW JESUS • APOLLOS WASN'T RE-BAPTIZED • NO COMMENT ON APOLLOS GETTING H.S.

CONCLUSION: APOLLOS HAD A TRUE COMMITMENT, BUT NEEDED GREATER KNOWLEDGE

CONCLUSION: THE 12 MEN WERE NOT SAVED

An **IGNORANT COMMITMENT** isn't good enough.

WHICH ARE YOU? APOLLOS OR ? • BAPTISM WITHOUT FAITH IN CHRIST IS NOT CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

Living Our Mission

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